

CONNECTIONS

A newsletter of the National Head Start Fellowships Program

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Planning for October's **National Birth to Five Leadership Institute** is in full swing. We are very pleased to announce that Drs. **Edward Zigler** and **T. Berry Brazelton** will be honored for their years of service to Head Start and the early childhood community at the plenary session on Tuesday, October 4th.

[CLICK HERE](#) for additional information and to register.

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

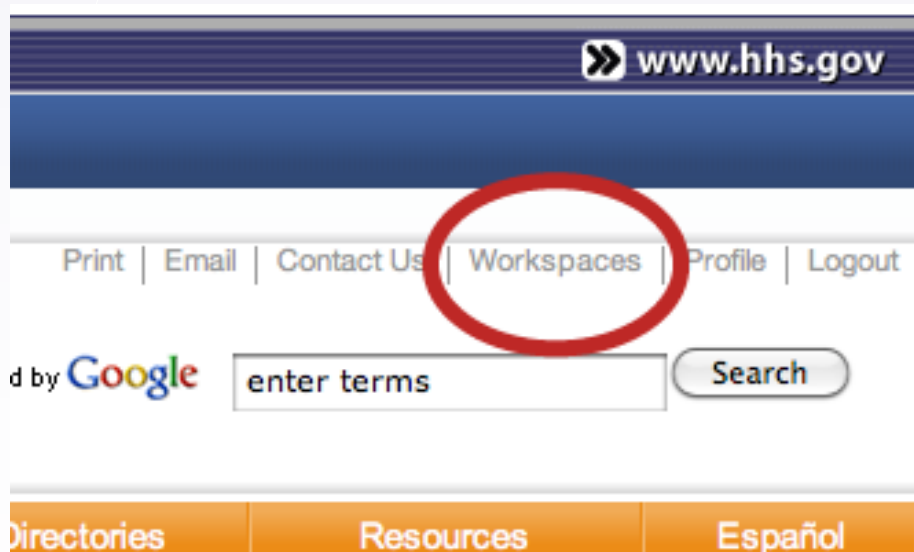
As we consider options for getting together during the Leadership Institute in October, it would be helpful to know how many of you plan to attend. Please send a quick email to OHSFellows@pal-tech.com to let us know if you'll be there!

NEW MONITORING PROTOCOL

The FY2012 monitoring protocol will be posted on the ECLKC in the next few weeks. Stay tuned!

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We have been thinking about personal factors that contribute to a successful Fellowship experience. We would welcome your input on [four quick questions](#)!



FELLOWS WORKSPACE

Just a quick reminder to sign up for the Fellows Workspace. To access the Workspace, you need to be registered with the ECLKC. Click here to register! Or if you are already a member, please send your User ID to workspaces@ECLKC.info. Once you have been added to the Workspace, the "Workspaces" button will be available in the upper right-hand corner of the screen each time you log in to the ECLKC. If you have any questions, please send an email to the Workspaces address above. We look forward to seeing you online!

NEWS & RESOURCES

NEW OHS DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Ann Linehan is the new Deputy Director for OHS. Ann brings not only knowledge, experience to the position, but passion and commitment to ensuring that children and families receive the Head Start services that they need and deserve. Congratulations, Ann!

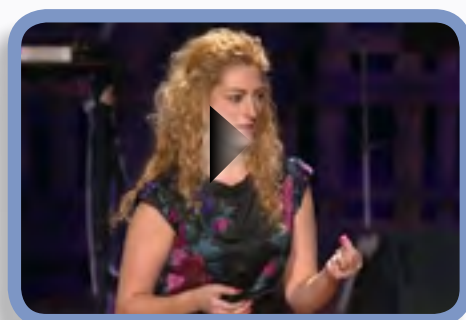
DEGREES IN CONTEXT: *Asking the Right Questions About Preparing Skilled and Effective Teachers of Young Children*

In this policy brief, published by the National Institute for Early Education Research, authors Marcy Whitebook and Sharon Ryan argue that too much attention has been given to debating degree requirements, rather than the precise nature of their education, support for ongoing learning, and the workplace environment. The brief explores these issues and provides recommendations for policy and further research. [CLICK HERE](#) to view brief.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Success in any endeavor depends on many factors—including attitude. [Check out this article on the Workspace](#) for tips on boosting your positive "abundance" mentality!

SEEN & HEARD



Games give players incentive to learn the habits of heroes and the means to save worlds. In this 20-minute video, Jane McGonigal provides insights into why gaming is so appealing and how we might harness this passion to empower emerging leaders and solve real-world problems.



For additional news and resources, visit the [ECLKC](#).